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TOPIC WARSAW Armament Plant

EVALUATION 25X1X

PLACE OBTAINED

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25X1X1. Location

a. The armament plant is located within a labor camp. The camp is located almost in the center of "WARSAW" (R 53/L 09) on the "WARSAW-KRAKOW" RR line about 3,300 feet from the "WARSAW" main RR station. It covers an area of at least 1,150x820 feet. Three camp sections are in the camp area, surrounded by a barbed wire fence:

(1) Camp No. 4226/I with approximately 1,500 German P's in the western corner (see Annex, No. 12).

(2) Camp No. 4226/II with about 1,500 Polish women and girls in the northern corner of the camp (see Annex, No. 13).

(3) Camp No. 4226/III with approximately 2,000 civilian workmen in the eastern corner of the camp area (see Annex, No. 14).

b. A 650 feet long workshop is in the center of the camp.

2. Commander

The camp is headed by a Polish commander, named MARITSCHKO.

3. Supply of Materials

By rail (for track system see Annex). Shipment of bomb cases, single parts of pistols, stick-type incendiary bombs and hand grenades arrive on the field railway from the direction of the main RR station (origin of these shipments unknown). Unprocessed material is stored in 10 trench-like locked underground bunkers in the south-west about 800 to 1,000 feet outside the camp.

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5. Plant Installations

The workshop in the center of the camp covers an area of 650x115 feet and has four departments. Bombs are filled in the northwestern department (see Annex, No. 15a), pistols assembled in the next department (see Annex, No. 15b), stick-type incendiary bombs filled in the third department (see Annex, No. 15c) and hand grenades produced in the southeastern department (see Annex, No. 15d).

6. Production

a. Bomb Production (15a): Aerial bomb cases are shipped by rail to the camp. The bomb cases are approximately 3 feet long and 12 to 14 inches in diameter. The bombs are conveyed by travelling trolleys to the filling place where they are filled with explosives, and provided with fuzes. Five finished bombs are packed in one box. The finished bombs are shipped in the direction of "RAKOW".

b. Assembly of Pistols (15b): Single pistol parts were shipped by rail to the "pistol assembly department". Caliber of the pistols: 6.5 mm. The pistols were assembled in this department by P's (about 20) and some Poles (approximately 50). This department worked in two shifts. Five boxes with 100 pistols each were produced in each shift.

c. Filling of Stick-Type Incendiary Bombs (15c): The filling of stick-type incendiary bombs was done with a funnel which had an attached indicator apparatus. Each stick-type incendiary bomb was filled with about 3 pounds of explosives. After filling, a heavy metal cap with a fuze was screwed on the bomb. Twenty bombs were packed in each box.

d. Daily Output: Approximately three hundred boxes.

e. Production of Stick Hand Grenades (15d): The number of employees is unknown.

7. The stick hand grenades resembled the German type. The firing lanyard was pulled through the hollow stick. The grenades were filled with an explosive consisting of white-grey powder. Production figures were unknown. After filling the hand grenades were packed in jute-like sacks (20 hand grenades in each sack). Shipments left the plant on the field railroad.

1 Annex: Armament Plant in "ARSA", Poland.

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